Fairs — 1918

State Wide Farmers' Exhibition

Under the Council of Defense and Maryland Emancipation Fair Association—Salisbury Selected as Place—Representatives of the Council Confer with Citizens of Salisbury.

Exhibition to be Held in September—Excursion Rates to be Arranged—Each County Expected to be Represented.

The committee which was appointed to visit Salisbury made its report last Monday and it met the unanimous endorsement of the body. Let it be understood that the committee, which met on Thursday, the 13th ult., was not the Council of Defense, but simply the committee, which was appointed by the chair at the general conference at Sharp Street Memorial M. E. Church, May 30, 1918, for the purpose of considering a place for the holding of the Farmers' Conference and Exhibition. The report of the sub-committee, which visited Salisbury, appears in The Commonwealth.

It was ordered at the meeting that quarters be secured for the offices and accommodation of the Council members and its guests at Salisbury. The chairman, accompanied by Rev. Dr. C. G. Cummings, will visit Salisbury and Princess Anne, leaving last Friday. A Baltimore office will be established at 608 Eutaw street, fully equipped for the development on this end. Canvassers will be put in the field to secure exhibits. The public school, through the good offices of its sympathetic superintendent, will furnish its educational exhibits, and Principal George B. Murphy has been authorized by him to secure them.

The Governors of the States of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia and Delaware have been invited to send us a fraternal delegation of five, who are asked to be present on Monday, the 16th of September, the opening day, when His Excellency Governor Harrington will open the Conference officially.

Arrangements will be made to take the attendants from Baltimore. Excursion rates, by boat, with privilege of remaining over one day to visit the fair.

Monday, Sept. 16—Opening Day.

Tuesday, Sept. 17—Educational Day.

Wednesday, Sept. 18—Woman's Day.

Thursday, Sept. 19—Fraternal Day.

Friday, Sept. 20—Labor and Farm Day.

Saturday, Sept. 21—Patriotic Day.

Sunday, Sept. 22—Denominational Day.

Upon each of these days, fresh, interesting and helpful programs have been arranged. The speakers who will appear will be men not only of national repute, but who are able to instruct and help the masses.

The tentative program for Thursday follows:

Formation of Parade

1st Div.—Mounted police; band; chief marshal and aides; Wicomico county band.

2nd Div.—Marshal and aides, 1st section, Masonic lodges; 2nd section, Odd Fellows' lodges; 3rd section, Knights of Pythias lodges; 4th section, other societies.

3rd Div.—Somerset county; marshal and aides; 1st section, Masonic lodges; 2nd section, Odd Fellows' lodges; 3rd section,Knights of Pythias lodges; 4th section, other societies.

4th Div.—Worcester county; band.

5th Div.—Dorchester county.

6th Div.—Talbot county.

7th Div. Caroline county.

8th Div.—Queen Anne's county.

9th Div.—Cecil county; band.

10th Div.—Kent county.

11th Div.—Garrett county.

12th Div.—Allegany county.

13th Div.—Washington Co.

14th Div.—Frederick county; band.

15th Div.—Carroll county.

16th Div.—Montgomery Co.

17th Div.—Howard county; band.

18th Div.—Baltimore county

19th Div.—Harford county.

20th Div.—Anne Arundel county.

21st Div.—Prince George's county.

22nd Div.—Calvert county; band.

23rd Div.—St. Mary's county.

Each county is to have a banner with the name of the county there-upon. Each county is to have its marshal and aides.

EXHIBIT OF COLORED WOMEN TO BE RECOGNIZED

For First Time at State Fair to be Held at Cumberland Park, Nashville, September 16th to 21st.

LOCATION IN WOMAN'S BUILDING.

Prizes Will Be Awarded Without Regard to Color---Exhibit Will Be Complete And Unique.

The Colored Women of the city are delighted with the arrangements that have been made for the mat the coming Tennessee State Fair, which will be held at the State Fair Grounds. A prominent location in the Women's Building has bee nset apart for the Colored Women's Exhibit and a committee of earnest women are hard at work interesting the women and urging that they send their samples of omestic art and domentic science the exhibit.

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ase of the work and the Publicity Committee wil be very glad to furnish them with the information desired. The Publicity Committee is composed of the following ladies, Mrs. J. C. Napier, eGneral Chairman, Mrs. Laura Polk-Smith, Mrs. M. L. Croswaith, Mrs. D. Wellington Berry and Mrs. Cora-Jordan White.

—The Nashville Globe.

CONCORD [illegible]
AUGUST 15, 1918

Negro Farmers of Rowan Have Formed Organization.

Salisbury, Aug. 12.—Negro farmers of Rowan county have organized the "Negro Farmers' Organization of Rowan County," the object of which is to bring about better conditions agriculturally, socially and religiously among the negro farmers. The organization set a date for its first annual county farmers conference.

The county commissioners of Rowan have voted $25 per month to assist in the keeping open of the community building this donation being conditioned on the city making a like donation. This means that the community building will continue. Recently there were fears that the doors of this institution would be closed.

The county commissoiners have ordered the employment of a nurse to look after the tubercular patients in the county.

MACON GA NEWS
NOVEMBER 7, 1918

REDUCED RATES ORDERED FOR THE COLORED FAI

Managers of the Middle Georgia Colored Fair have received assurances that reduced rates similar to those ordered for the Georgia State Fair, will be granted on all railroads in Georgia. The rate for the Georgia State Fair is one and one-half fare for the round trip.

The colored fair will be held immediately after the state fair closes. It will open November 23 and continue through the 30th. It is said it will be the best the association has held.

Big Colored Peoples' Fair, Dublin, Ga.

December 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, 1918.

This man pleads guilty of being the first man that started the Fair in Dublin, Ga.

The Atlanta Independent 11-22-18

REV. E. D. NEWSOME,
Manager and Treasurer Central Colored People's Fair, Dublin.

Who was the first man that opened up the eyes of the Colored People in Dublin, Ga., about the Fair? It was Rev. E. D. Newsome. Who was the first man that started a first-class undertaking business in Dublin, Ga., for colored people? It was Rev. E. D. Newsome. Who was the first man that bought Liberty Loan Bonds in Dublin, Ga., among colored people? It was Rev. E. D. Newsome. Who will have the largest Carnival Company that ever played at a colored Fair? Rev. E. D. Newsome, who has contracted with a Carnival to have five (5) rides, fifteen (15) shows and forty-eight (48) concessions of all kinds. It was Rev. E. D. Newsome.

PROGRAM FOR THE WEEK.

Monday morning, the 9th, at 11:00 a. m., Col. Geo. B. Davis, one of Dublin, Ga., and Lawrence County's best lawyers, and a friend of our people, will deliver the welcome address in behalf of the city.

At 5:30 p. m., Dr. John Harmon, P. E. of the Augusta District, one of the best known pulpit orators in Georgia, will deliver the third annual address. Music by the band.

Tuesday, at 11:30 a. m., address by Mrs. G. W. Hill, G. R. of D. Mrs. Hill is the Treasurer for the Order of the Court of Calanthe, a teacher of the Georgia State Industrial College, Savannah, Ga.

At 2:00 p. m., the American Woodmen will play their part—addresses by Deputy O. S. Scott and one or two of the Grand Officers. You had better hear them. Music by the band.

Wednesday, Odd Fellows' and Households of Ruths' Day.

At 11:00 a. m., Madam M. M. Hailey will address the Household of Ruth.

At 3:30 p. m., Honorable Benjamin Jefferson Davis, District Grand Secretary of G. U. O. O. F., will speak to the many hundreds of Odd Fellows and all other fraternal Orders. He is an orator and a real speaker, and editor of the Atlanta Independent, the greatest Negro newspaper in America. Music by the band.

Thursday, at 10:30 a. m., Rev. R. W. Walker, D.D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, this city, will speak to the hundreds of people. Hear him.

At 5:30 p. m., Rev. G. W. Williams, D.D., pastor of St. Paul A. M. E. Church, this city, will speak. He is a smooth, silver-tongued orator. If you miss hearing him, you will regret it.

Friday, at 3:30 p. m., Prof. B. S. Ingram, Grand Master of G. U. O. O. F., will speak.

At 5:00 p. m., Captain Jackson McHenry, of Atlanta, Ga., and a hearty Odd Fellow, will address you. Music by the band.

Saturday, at 12:00 Noon, Prof. Paul J. King, Superintendent of the City School, of Dublin, Ga., will speak on Education.

These speakers will be introduced by Prof E. L. Hall, Principal of Scottsville City School, and Secretary of the Central Colored People's Fair, and Prof. W. L. Hughes,

MEMPHIS TENN APPEAL
SEPTEMBER 22, 1918

COLORED TRI-STATE FAIR.

The Colored Tri-State Fair, which will open Oct. 3 and continue three days, will be the greatest event the colored people have ever given in this section of the south. This will be the eighth annual fair the colored people have attempted to give, and they have been encouraged each year by their white friends. All of the colored people in this section should rally to this fair and make it the biggest colored fair in the entire southland.

The managers are planning to have demonstrations in domestic science, agriculture and various other industries that will be helpful to their people. They will also have some of the best speakers of their race to enlighten the masses of their people on how to help win the war.

President of the Central Colored People's Fair, and E. D. Newsome, Manager and Treasurer of the Big Central Colored People's Fair, which will open their gates December 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14, 1918. E. J. Newsome, Assistant Manager.

Fairs — 1918.

MEMPHIS TENN SCIMITAR
OCTOBER 1, 1918

NEGRO TRI-STATE FAIR IS AWAITING OFFICIAL OPENING

All details of the Colored Tri-State fair have been completed and the doors of the fairgrounds will be opened Thursday afternoon, Oct. 3, with the best list of exhibits in the history of the organization. Opening day will be known as the Day of Patriotism and Arkansas day, and special patriotic features have been arranged for the entertainment of the patrons.

Lieut.-Col. W. F. McChord, of Park field, will send a flying squad of airplanes over the Tri-State fairgrounds and a series of aerial acrobatics will be given. Everything that was done on opening day at the Tri-State fair will be performed by the aviators, with the exception of Instructor Thompson falling in his "Hun" plane.

A fine racing program has been arranged and some of the best trotters and pacers in the country will compete, driven by the best negro drivers in this section. There will be a pace and a trot every afternoon. An especial appeal will be made to sell thrift stamps and Liberty bonds, and all fair patrons will be urged to "buy until it hurts" of government securities.

Band concerts will be given every day and night, with a grand finale of pyrotechnics. A large amount of exhibits have already arrived and will be ready by opening day. According to the fair manager, every indication points toward the coming exhibition being the best in the history of the association.

MEMPHIS TENN PRESS
SEPTEMBER 17, 1918

NEGRO FAIR WILL OPEN ON OCT. 3

The eighth annual Colored Tri-State fair will open at the Tri-States fair grounds, Tuesday, Oct. 3, and continue for three days, according to announcement today by D. E. W. Irving, the president. Dr. L. G. Patterson is secretary and Rev. W. W. Whitten is business manager. Headquarters are at 164 Beale av.

Every effort will be made to make this fair the biggest on record. Among the many features will be daily demonstrations in cooking and farming. Prominent speakers will make addresses and a variety of midway shows will be provided.

VICKSBURG MISS POST
AUGUST 14, 1918

NO NEGRO FAIR WILL BE HELD THIS YEAR

Jackson, Miss., Aug. 13.—There will be no negro fair to follow the Mississippi State Fair this year, according to announcement by Miss Mabel Stire, secretary. The negroes of the state have been in the habit of having a three-day fair following the regular fair. This is the first time in several years that they will do without their own exposition. An invitation will be extended the negroes to attend the regular fair beginning October 21, and they will be allowed to compete for agricultural and industrial awards.

CHARLOTTE N C OBSERVER
SEPTEMBER 22, 1918

NEGRO FARMERS DECIDE TO HOLD COUNTY FAIR

A meeting of several prominent negro farmers of Mecklenburg county was held in the Bailey real estate and insurance office, on East Trade street, yesterday morning under the auspices of the negro chamber of commerce. Plans for the coming negroes' fair, which will be held soon after the conclusion of the Fair of the Carolinas, were discussed.

Executive Secretary E. N. Farris, of the Charlotte chamber of commerce, spoke to the negro men and advised them as to the best methods to pursue to make the fair a success.

It was decided that the fair could be an educational institution to stimulate better agriculture, home economics and cleaner living among the negro farmers of the county. It was also decided that no games of chance would be allowed on the fair grounds.

MACON GA TELEGRAPH
AUGUST 27, 1918

NEGROES TO HAVE BIG FAIR

Seven Counties Have Already Agreed to Send Exhibits to Macon.

A negro fair will be held again this year, according to announcement made by Richard Hartley, manager of the Middle Georgia Negro Fair Association. The dates are from November 12 to November 20.

The fair last year was one of the largest and most successful of any ever held by the negroes and an attempt is to be made this year to even surpass the record of last year. Seven counties have already signed to display agricultural exhibits and the State College of Agriculture at Athens has promised to make a large display.

Every inducement is being offered to the negro farmer of this section of the state to make agricultural and live stock exhibits. Besides the prizes offered for the best display, the sum of $50 will be given to any negro farmer who makes a creditable display. This makes all competitors get $50 whether they win a prize or not. A well known carnival has been secured to furnish amusement. One of the largest crowds in years is expected.

MEMPHIS TENN SCIMITAR
OCTOBER 4, 1918

NEGRO TRI-STATE FAIR DRAWING WELL

With opening day one of the best in the history of the organization, the Colored Tri-State fair is on its second day, with the attendance the best in years. The gates open at 10 o'clock each morning and throngs of negroes from Memphis and surrounding country are here to participate in the annual event.

Friday is Tennessee and Children's day, with all children being admitted for half price. Hundreds of school children are attending and are being shown all of the educational and patriotic exhibits of the fair. Among the interesting exhibits are fancy quilts, dresses and culinary work entered by the Mound City, Ark., high school. Extra fine watermelons grown by negro farmers in this section are also on display.

The racing program given each afternoon is one of the features of the fair. Fast pacers and trotters owned and handled by negro drivers are competing on the track and some good time is being made. Free vaudeville takes place in front of the grandstand every afternoon at 4 o'clock. Fireworks feature the night program.

Opening day, Thursday, was featured by the presence of fiv eairplanes from Park field manned by expert pilots. The machines circled the field in battle formation and then separated, each pilot doing his individual specialty. They looped, spiraled, stalled, sideslipped and did everything in the list of aerial acsobatics. Arkansas day was also on the program Thursday and hundreds of Arkansas negroes were present to take part in the festivities.

Saturday will be Mississippi day and will be featured by demonstrations in agriculture and domestic science.

FAYETTEVILLE TENN OBSERVER
OCTOBER 10, 1918

TO THE COLORED PEOPLE OF LINCOLN COUNTY

We are asked to meet at the City High School building on Saturday, October 12, 1918, for the purpose of planning a "farmers' exhibition" which shall be held at the time and place agreed upon by those present at the meeting.

The chief aim and purpose of the exhibition is to bring us closer together and to edify racial confidence and pride, as producers of farm products as well as vindicate the fact that we, the colored people of Lincoln county, labor and toil in the furrow that democracy may successfully thrust autocracy from existence and embrace the spherical globe in its arms of sweetness. We want through this exhibition to prove beyond doubt that we as well as our smoked Yankees in France, observe all the rights and privileges as well as any citizen of the United States which are sure to come with the new democracy after the war.

As our boys in France shed as many drops of blood in proportion as any race in America, we have shed as many briny tears and drops of sweat as any patriotic American for the domination of democracy over autocracy, and expecting her in her new era to look over us here in this world with an unprejudiced, impartial and truthful eye indeed.

D. D. WORD, President.
HALE SMITH, Secretary.
DR. STEPHENS, Agent.

MEMPHIS TENN SCIMITAR
OCTOBER 3, 1918

NEGRO FAIR OPENS WITH BIG CROWD

With every indication pointing toward one of the most successful exhibitions ever held, the Colored Tri-State fair opened its gates Thursday morning at the Tri-State fairgrounds. All arrangements have been worked out by the managers and promoters, and with a large number of attractive and interesting exhibits on hand the fair should prove a red letter event in Memphis negro circles.

The doors were thrown open at 10 o'clock and the opening day attendance started off well. Featuring the opening of the fair was to be an aerial exhibition scheduled for 3 o'clock. Lieut.-Col. McChord, of Park field, detailed several of his most efficient flyers to the fairgrounds.

At 3:30 o'clock the races were scheduled to start, with a pace and a trot on the program. Some of the best horses in the country and handled by expert negro drivers, are to compete, and this feature should prove an attractive one. Every afternoon the races will be given. At 5 o'clock free vaudeville acts will be given directly in front of the grand stand by negro performers.

At 8 o'clock Thursday evening a patriotic address will be given by Dr. H. Moses, of Philadelphia, who will speak relative to the importance of buying Liberty bonds and supporting the government in every way.

There are many interesting exhibits, and especially in the Woman's building may be found some of the best work done by negro people. Special prizes are to be awarded to the best exhibits. The fair will continue through Sunday.

FAIR DIRECTORS MEET.

The Atlanta Independent
March 16, 1918.

Dublin, Ga., Feb. 15, 1918.

The Board of Directors of the Central Colored People's Fair Association met at 2 o'clock P. M., in the office of Dr. E. D. Newsome, 502 S. Jefferson St., with Prof. W. L. Hughes, President, in the chair.

The President asked Dr. Newsome to outline the cause of the meeting, which he did with few words, but in choice language. He stated to the meeting that he was able to secure the services of Mr. W. B. Alford, the white agricultural agent for the Macon, Dublin and Savannah Railway, and whose office is in Macon, Ga.

Dr. Newsome introduced Mr. Alford as one of the best agricultural men in Georgia, and a friend to all the people and at this juncture, Mr. Alford make a long and pointed address for which he held the board spellbound for more than two hours. Some of the many things he said in his address was that he was hired and paid by the M. D. and S. R. R. Company to serve all the people on his line ten miles of his line each way, and he stressed the importance of raising peanuts and more live stock and food supplies, and he spoke on the line of the government building a vat to dip cows in and rid them of ticks.

And after hearing the constitution and by-laws of the Central Colored People's Fair Association, and hearing the manager's report of last year, as he was one of the awarding judges last year, he had a keen insight of the work, which had been done by the manager. He stopped over and paid him a high compliment for the work and able manner in which he ran the affairs of the fair of 1917, and he assured the manager (Newsome) that any advice or service that he could render him in 1918, stands ready and willing to do it.

He also complimented him on the premium receipt book and said that the contestants were paid in 1917 according to the book, and as he was one of the judges, he knew whereof he spoke. He said that his road was going to offer about five or six hundred dollars for peanut contestants and all of the board assured him that they would make themselves interested in raising peanuts and other foodstuff that they possibly could, and make this fair one of the greatest in all of Georgia.

At this juncture, the board members, one by one, expressed their feelings in the way of being benefitted by having Mr. Alford with us. The entire board was present except one, and each one renewed his energy.

Next, Prof. R. G. McAden, the noted Atlanta Independent man, a strong writer on farm and farm produce, gave one of his strong and timely addresses on the importance of raising plenty of foodstuff, live stock and ladies making plenty of fancy work. He was introduced by Dr. E. D. Newsome.

After the dispatch of some important business relating to the fair, and eighteen new members were added to the association, the board adjourned to meet at will, at the call of the president.

PROF. W. L. HUGHES, Pres.
PROF. E. L. HALL, Secy.
REV. WARREN McCLENDON,
W. A. JENKINS,
T. W. WOOD,
D. F. KEMP.
E. J. NEWSOME,
J. W. DENT, Secy of Board.
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